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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS
SUBJECT: US ARMS SALES POLICY: PRESENTATION TO GOI

REF: (A) STATE 115244; (B) STATE 115278

1. CHARGE MAY 20 MADE BRIEF PRESENTATION TO MEA
SECRETARY VELLODI OF SOUTH ASIAN DIMENSIONS OF NEWLY
ANNOUNCED CONVENTIONAL ARMS SUPPLY POLICY COVERED IN
REFTELS. CHARGE NOTED THAT NEWLY ANNOUNCED POLICY
REAFFIRMED EXISTING POLICY OF RESTRAINT IN SOUTH ASIAN ARMS
SALES WHICH GOI HAD FOUND HAD NOT AFFECTED ITS INTEREST ADVERSELY.
HE TOLD VELLODI HE WOULD BE MAKING MORE DETAILED
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PRESENTATION OF OVERALL POLICY TO JOINT SECRETARY
MADHAVAN LATER IN DAY. CHARGE SUGGESTED THAT AFTER THEY
HAD BEEN BRIEFED BY MADHAVAN, VELLODI AND POSSIBLY FOREIGN
SECRETARY MEHTA MIGHT WANT TO DISCUSS BROADER POLICY
FURTHER WITH HIM.

2. CHARGE, ACCOMPANIED BY POL COUNSELOR, SUBSEQUENTLY

MADE PRESENTATION TO MADHAVAN, LEAVING BEHIND PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT AND "NON-PAPER" EMBODYING POINTS IN REF A. MADHAVAN SAID PRESENTATION WAS PARTICULARLY TIMELY SINCE SENIOR MEA OFFICIALS WOULD BE HOLDING LENGTHY SESSION FOLLOWING DAY WITH PARLIAMENTARY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. HE RAISED SEVERAL POINTS, MOST OF THEM RELATED TO US ARMS SUPPLY TO PAKISTAN.

3. NOTING CHARGE'S THREE POINT REAFFIRMATION OF US SOUTH ASIAN ARMS SUPPLY POLICY (AS SPELLED OUT IN REF B), MADHAVAN COMMENTED THAT CHARGE HAD NOT MENTIONED SALES-FOR-CASH-ONLY PROVISION OF ESTABLISHED POLICY. CHARGE SAID THAT HIS INSTRUCTIONS DID NOT SPECIFICALLY MENTION THIS POINT, BUT THAT HE HAD SEEN NOTHING TO SUGGEST ANY CHANGE IN THIS. ASKED HOW NEWLY ANNOUNCED POLICY COULD AFFECT TRANSFER OF SOPHISTICATED AIRCRAFT TO PAKISTAN, CHARGE SAID HE COULD GIVE MADHAVAN NO SPECIFIC GUIDANCE BEYOND POINTS MADE IN HIS PRESENTATION, MADHAVAN ALSO INQUIRED WHETHER NEWLY ANNOUNCED POLICY MADE ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE WEAPONS. CHARGE SAID IT DID NOT.

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER SPECIFIC GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE GOI ON POINTS RAISED BY MADHAVAN.
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